

### REMARKS

Claim 30 has been amended to remove the Examiner's objection to use of a trademark. Specifically, "PEEK" is a fluoropolymer, so the word "fluoropolymer" has been substituted for the trademarked term.

In the Office Action, claim 30 was included in a group of claims rejected over the Wood citation, but claim 30 depends from claim 26, which has been allowed. Accordingly, claim 30, as amended, should now be allowed.

Rejected claims 22-25, 28, and 31-61 have all been cancelled. [These claims had all originally depended ultimately from claim 1, which Applicant previously cancelled, without prejudice, with the intention of prosecuting further in a continuation application, to be filed.]

Claims 2-21, 26, 27, 29, and 30 remain in the Application, and should all now be allowable.

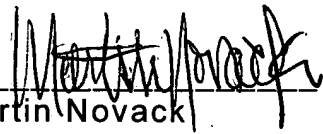
In view of the foregoing it is believed that all claims of this application are now in condition for allowance, and such favorable action is respectfully solicited. In the event there are any remaining issues, however, it is asked that the Examiner kindly telephone the undersigned

counsel collect so that they can be resolved.

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